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**Application No.: 09/780,962**

**Applicant(s): Erik James Reed et al.**

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**For:** SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
DETECTING AND VERIFYING  
DIGITIZED CONTENT OVER A  
COMPUTER NETWORK

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: **Group Art Unit:** 2154

: **Examiner:** M. Siddiqui

: **Attorney Docket No.:** 85804.010401

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Respectfully submitted,  
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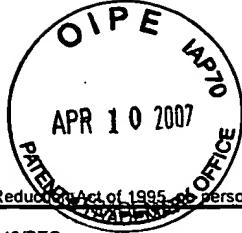
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